

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Group Art Unit: 2616  
DAVID W. SMITH Examiner: Toan D. Nguyen  
Serial No.: 09/225,388 Conf. No.: 2528  
Filed: JANUARY 05, 1999 Atty. Dkt.: 2000.002500/TT2581  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CUSTOMER NO.: 23720  
PATTERN MATCHING ON SINGLE  
AND MULTIPLE PATTERN  
STRUCTURES

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 6, 2008**

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 6, 2008, for which the shortened three-month statutory response date is September 6, 2008. This response is being filed on, or before, August 6, 2008, less than two months from the mailing date of the final action, therefore, Applicant is entitled to an Advisory Action. M.P.E.P. §706.07(f).

If an extension of time is required to enable this paper to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this paper is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed.

No fee is believed due as a result of the response contained herein. However, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized

to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. PTO Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2000.002500.